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RE: Hexcel Corporation 205 South Main Street Lodi, Bergen County ISRA CASE NO. 86009

Dear Mr. Novak:

I am writing to you to request a meeting with you, and those individuals you deem appropriate, to discuss a proposal by Hexcel Corporation ("Hexcel") to revise our implementation schedule for activities at the above-referenced site. This revision is necessitated by the fact that Hexcel is unable to finance all of the planned remedial activities for the next six to eleven months at this time. We would greatly appreciate the assistance of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and Energy ("NJDEPE") in reorganizing the priorities of the approved remediation.

Accordingly, we respectfully request that the NJDEPE meet with us to consider our proposal for staging the cleanup. Our New Jersey environmental counsel, Edward A. Hogan, spoke with Bureau Chief Douglas Stuart last week. Mr. Stuart suggested that we write to you outlining our proposal and requesting a meeting.

In essence, we intend to continue:

- 1) DNAPL and LNAPL recovery system operations and the monitoring of same;
- 2) operation of the physical and chemical treatment system for contaminated groundwater which seeps into the facility. This system would continue its current operational schedule which involves collection of this material and treatment on a batch basis; and,
- 3) submission of status reports to the NJDEPE on a quarterly basis.

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The continuation of these activities will allow Hexcel to maintain control of the contamination and address the immediate environmental concerns. We propose delaying the implementation of our sewer line construction and full scale groundwater recovery and treatment system until the end of this temporary period. Please note that the sewer line system has already been fully designed. In addition, the groundwater recovery and treatment system has been installed and therefore we have made significant progress in regard to these matters.

We intend to use our best efforts to keep this period of suspension to six months; however, we do foresee the possibility of it extending to a period as long as eleven months. As I am sure you appreciate, Hexcel has attempted to pursue this project for over seven years with the greatest degree of diligence and thus far has spared no expense in the aggressive investigation and remediation of this site. Unfortunately, our current economic situation forces us to reconsider the scheduling of these steps. Be assured, however, that Hexcel remains committed to environmental compliance and to completing the approved cleanup as soon as financially feasible.

After you have had an opportunity to consider this request, we would be most appreciative if you could call our New Jersey counsel, Edward A. Hogan, at (201) 538-4006 to arrange a mutually convenient meeting date.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

HEXCEL CORPORATION

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